possible thing when the rush is great. That is not a satisfactory way of meeting the situation.

Mr. M. V. Cherian:—Are the Government aware that there is no play-ground there?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—That goes without saying. How can there be a play-ground when there is not even sufficient space for the building.

Mr. T. S. Balarama Ayyar:—Can the Government give us some idea as to the number of girls belonging to Mattancherri that are attending the schools at Ernakulam?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—Sir, I can only answer that question with due notice.

Malayalam Text Book Committee.

232. Mr. P. Raman Menon:— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how a gentleman from Trivandrum and another from Madras happened to be made members of the existing Text Book Committee for Malayalam in the State;

(b) what travelling allowance is given to each of them on every occasion they attend the Text Book Committee meeting?

Mr. I. N. Menon:— (a) According to Article 106, Cochin Education Code, Volume I, there should be a member of the Oriental Department of the Madras University in the Text Book Committee. There is, therefore, a member from Madras on the Committee but none from Trivandrum.

(b) A travelling allowance of Rs. 68—13—0 is given to the member on each occasion when he attends the meeting from Madras.

Mr. P. Raman Menon:—Is not Mr. Parameswara Ayyar a member of this Committee?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—No, he is not a member of that Committee.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim:—May I know, Sir, what is the work of this Oriental Department?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—They are dealing with Malayalam literature such as translation, compilation &c.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim:—With reference to (b) does not this gentleman usually attend all the meetings?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—There have been occasions when he does not attend.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim:—Which is the majority, the number of meetings attended or the number not attended?

Mr. I. N. Menon:—I want notice.

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